

COMPARISON OF DUTIES

Ethics Commission & the Fair Political Practices Commission

Provides Advice & Enforcement Regarding Local Campaign Matters	ETHICS COMMISSION	FPPC
Recordkeeping Requirements	X	X
Filing Campaign Statements	X	X
Contribution Limits for Individuals	X	
Contribution Limits for Political Parties	X	
Restrictions on Time Period of Contribution	X	
Transfers and Carryovers	X	
Loan Limits & Interest Prohibition	X	
Cash Contributions	X	X (in part)
Filing Third Pre-Election Report	X	
Election Designations (Primary, General, etc.)	X	
Reporting Cumulative Contributions on Campaign Statement	X	
Online Filing	X	
Pre-Primary Contributions for General Elections	X	X (in part)
\$200 Cumulative Limit on Anonymous Contributions	X	
Use of Campaign Funds	X	X
Notification Regarding Contribution Solicitations	X	
Solicitation of Campaign Contributions from City Employees	X	
Prohibition on Contributions from Organizations & Organization Bank Accounts	X	
Contribution Limits for Recall Elections	X	
Obligation to Return Contributions	X	X (in part)
Return of Contributions – Mistaken Identity	X	
180 Day Vendor Debt Rules	X	
Legal Defense Funds	X	X (in part)
Mass Campaign Literature	X	X (in part)
Telephone Communications	X	X (in part)
Billboard Advertising	X	X (in part)
Disclosure of \$10,000 contributors on candidate advertisements	X	X (\$50,000)
Disclosure of \$10,000 contributors on ballot measure advertisements	X	X (\$50,000)

Disclosure of Electioneering Communications	X	
Slate Mailers		X
Surplus Funds Rules	X	X

Provides Advice & Enforcement Regarding the Lobbying of City Officials	ETHICS COMMISSION	FPPC
Registration of Contract Lobbyists	X	
Registration of In-House Lobbyists	X	
Disclosures from Expenditure Lobbyists	X	
Quarterly Reports for Lobbying Entities	X	
Contribution Disclosures by Lobbyists	X	
Fundraising Disclosures by Lobbyists	X	
Campaign Contract Disclosures by Lobbyists	X	
City Contract Disclosures by Lobbyists	X	
Limits on Gifts From Lobbyists	X	
Laws Regarding Misrepresentation and Deception	X	

Provides Advice & Enforcement Regarding Gifts, Loans, Disclosures, Conflicts, etc.	ETHICS COMMISSION	FPPC
Gifts	X	X
Travel Payments	X	X
Loans	X	X
Honoraria	X	X
Annual Disclosure of Economic Interests	X	X
Semi-annual gift reporting	X	
Disqualification based on Economic Interest	X	X
Financial Interest in Contract (§1090)	X	
Disqualification of City Officials in Municipal Decisions Involving Benefactors (Conflicts of Interest)	X	
Solicitation of Campaign Contributions from City Employees	X	
Future Employment	X	X
Lobbying Activities of Former Officials	X	X (elected officials only)
Unlawful Use of City Resources	X	
Unlawful Use of City Position, Badge, Uniform	X	

Use of Position to Induce Person to Provide Economic Benefit or Gain	X	
Use of City Resources, Facilities to Support Candidacy	X	
Engaging In Outside Employment While on City Time	X	
Disclosure of Confidential Information	X	

Other Matters	ETHICS COMMISSION	FPPC
Audits City Campaign Statements	X	low priority if City is selected in drawing
Audits City Lobbying Statements	X	
Provides Live Trainings For City Officials	X	
Provides Online Trainings for City Officials	X	state law only – limited to few officials
Provides Live Trainings for Lobbyists	X	
Provides Live Trainings for Candidates & Treasurers	X	
Tracks 1,300+ City Officials for Compliance with Biennial Training Requirement	X	
Prepares Fact Sheets & FAQs specific to City's laws	X	
Prepares & Updates Candidate Manual and Committee Manual specific to City's Campaign laws	X	
Prepares & Updates Lobbying Manual specific to City's Lobbying Ordinance	X	
Monitors & Reports on Effectiveness of Lobbying and Campaign Laws	X	
Provides Formal Written Advice	1-2 weeks	state law only; typically takes longer
Provides Informal Telephonic Advice	X	state law only
Provides Informal Advice Through E-mail	X	state law only
Monitors State and Federal Statutes, Regulations, and Court Cases for Impact on Local Campaign Laws, Lobbying Laws, and other Ethics Laws	X	
Proposes Amendments to Local Campaign Laws, Lobbying Laws, and other Ethics Laws	X	